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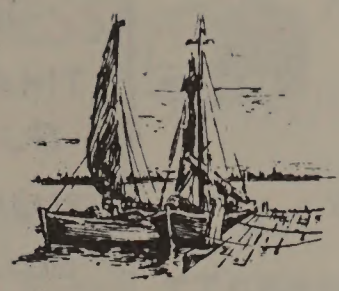

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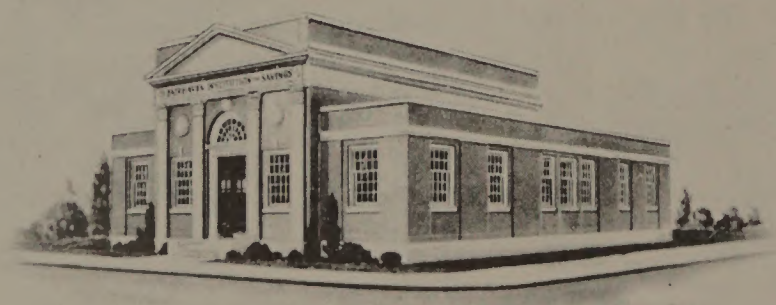

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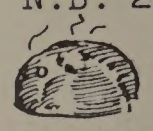

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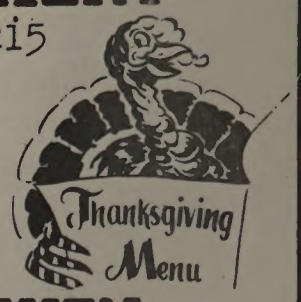


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SEMI-CENTENNIAL CELEBRATION OF 1907 BY MRS. CHARLES S. HAMLIN

In my diary of 1907 -- I have devoted several pages to the long drawn out difficulties starting about 1904 -- of getting electricity into Mattapoisett. So I write in August-- "At last we have electricity-- the installation has come just in time for the celebration of the 50th anniversary of this town being "set off" from Rochester. The celebration begins on Sunday, August 18th and lasts through the week to August 28th. Anna Hamlin has the honour of turning on the first light and she is very much excited over it of course. We had our usual dance in the carriage house for the maids and their friends and the New Bedford Gas Co., in charge of the work, very kindly offered to run a special wire out to illuminate a large wreath of red, white & blue bulbs hung on the side of our windmill tower. One of the men lifted Anna up so that she could turn the switch and it also lighted up the carriage house. Quite a crowd gathered on the road to welcome the first lights and there was cheering and clapping and the music for the dance played "Hail the Conquering Comes", which probably means that the passing of the candle and lamp era leads us into the electric era, and marks the change coming with the Old Home week celebration. The street lights will go on this week and lights will be available until eleven P. M. when Mr. James Hammond will turn a switch by his house and we will be dark the rest of the night. This is for economy's sake. Much is lost by the change and much gained."

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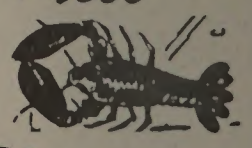

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CIVIL DEFENSE STRESSED AT WOMAN'S CLUB

Dr. Arthur J. Mullen, Civil Defense Director from Fairhaven, was the guest speaker at the meeting of the Mattapoisett Woman's Club Thursday afternoon in the vestry of the Congregational Church. Dr. Mullen stressed the great need of Civil Defense in both peacetime and wartime. He also described his nine days stay at Yucca Flats at the time of the atom bomb tests, and also described films shown there of the atom bombing in Japan.

At the business meeting conducted by Mrs. Frank Kouble the invocation was given by Miss Dorothy L. Fox, and a moment of silence was held in memory of Mrs. George Kilpatrick, a member who recently passed away.

New members introduced were Mrs. Horace Darrah, Mrs. Harry Locke, Mrs. Brydson Sharples and Mrs. Cyrus Stonehill.

Mrs. Kouble as president will appoint a member to attend as a delegate the meeting of the Town Centennial Committee December 1st at the Town Hall.

The sum of $50 will be donated to the United Fund, $5 to the Hallowe'en Celebration and $10 to the Choral Group to purchase music.

The next meeting of the American Home group will be at the home of Mrs. Ralph C. Dunn when Mrs. Chandler will speak on Rug Hooking, and a Christmas Party is planned for December 1st at the home of Mrs. Clifton Macomber with each member attending bringing a 50¢ gift for exchange. Anyone attending is asked to notify the hostess.

Mrs. Kenneth Wood, reporting on Veteran's Service in the absence of Mrs. Fred Donati, read two letters from the West Roxbury Hospital thanking the club for the afghans sent

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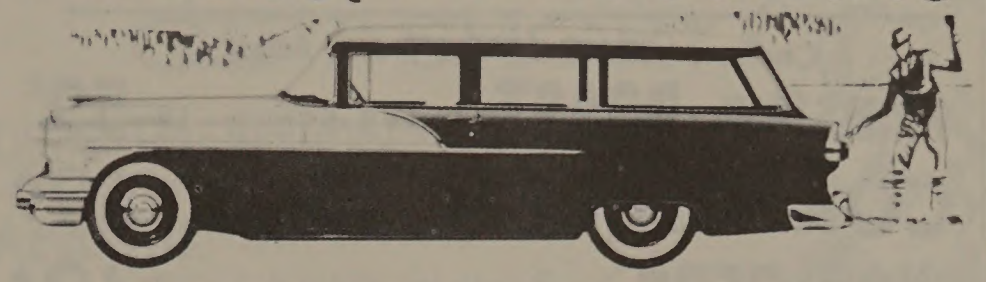

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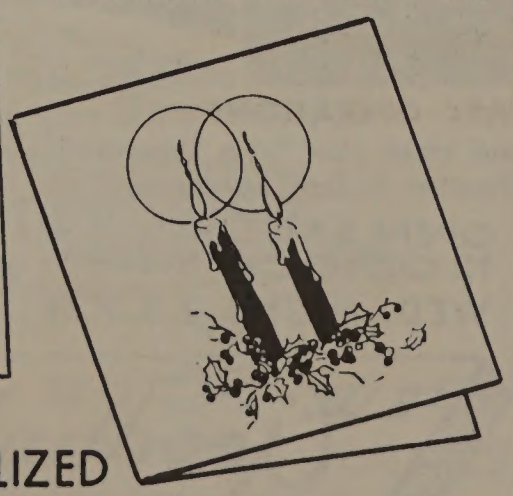
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there last year. Afghans will again be made this year and a coffee hour will be held at Otis Air Force Base November 23rd.

Mrs. William Knapton, chairman of the Literature-Drama group, reported that the next meeting of the group will be November 8th at the home of Mrs. Wilfred Moss on Tobey Lane and those attending are to give a five minute talk on any article, program, current event, etc. Anyone planning to attend are asked to notify the hostess.

Ways and Means chairman Mrs. Ernest Furnans reported that the telephone card parties are continuing this year and high scores may be phoned in to Mrs. Manuel Correia. She also reported that a food sale will be held Saturday, November 5th at the Village Druge Store with Mrs. Kenneth Wiggin, chairman. A dessert card party will be held November 15th at 1:30 at Meiling's.

Gourds, fall flowers and green candles made a very colorful tea table for the fall season presided over by Mrs. Furnans and Mrs. C. Ross Humphreys. Mrs. Malcolm Coderre, hostess, was assisted by Mrs. Manuel Correia, Mrs. Frank Pimental, Mrs. Clifton Macomber, Mrs. George Eldridge, Mrs. Stanley J. Mysliwy, Mrs. William Walsh, Mrs. Bryant R. Weeks and Mrs. Walter S. Jason.

COUPLES CLUB TO ENTERTAIN AT HOBO PARTY

The Congregational Couples Club of Marion will entertain at a hobo party for the Mr. and Mrs. Club of the North Marion Methodist Church and the Hornblowers of the Saint Gabriel's Episcopal Church on Thursday, November 3rd at 8 P. M. in the chapel on Main Street, Marion.

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The same evening, Chef de Gare, John Raphael, Voiture of Plymouth #49 of the Forty and eight, will address the Mattapoisett Juvenile Grange at the Grange Hall on "Veteran's Day".

K. RADCLIFFE GUEST OF HONOR AT SCOUT MEETING

Kathleen Radcliffe was the guest of honor at the Morning Glory Troop Girl Scout meeting. Kathleen is an outstanding scout in her years of scouting. The Conservation and personal health badges were awarded to her in completion of her Curved Bar requirements. Mrs. Radcliffe pinned her bar on Kathleen.

Membership stars were awarded to the entire troop. Explanation of the meaning of the World Pin was given to the girls. The pin was received by Kathleen Radcliffe, Ann Radcliffe, Susan Avila, Barbara Ellis, Sylvia Hales, Judith Sylvia, Marcia DeCoffe, Mrs. St. Jacques and Mrs. Avila. A five year pin was received by Mrs. Avila. Refreshments and a social hour followed.

SURPRISE PARTY

A party of 40 nurses from St. Luke's Hospital gave a surprise party Tuesday night for Mrs. Frank (Ike) LeBaron, who was married October 1st in Brimfield by the Rev. Allen Tinkham. It was a combined Hallowe'en Costume Party and bridal shower.

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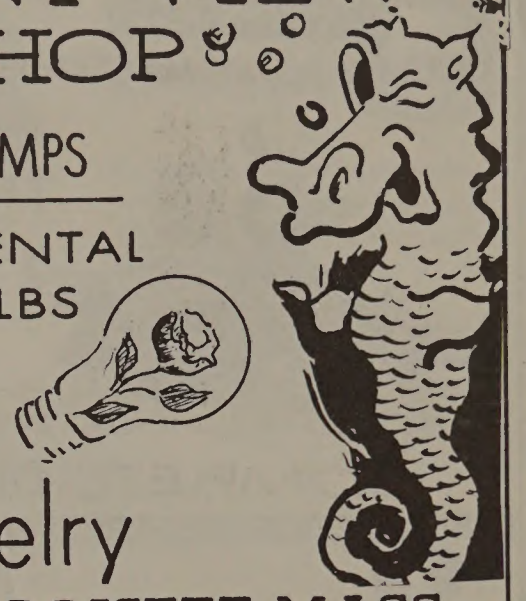

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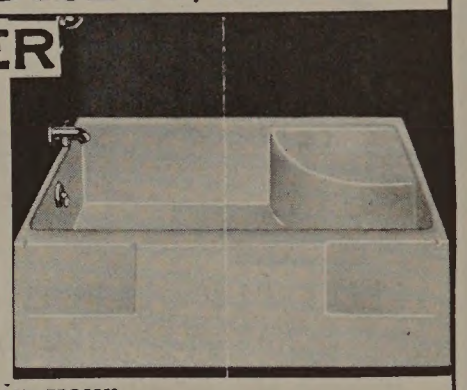

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CENTER SCHOOL NEWS

The First Grade students have worked diligently planning a display in the show case by the Barstow Street entrance.

Two assemblies of the Rhythm Band, consisting of First Graders under the direction of Mrs. Morgan, were enjoyed by parents and Center School students. The children wore capes of red and black and musical-looking hats.

The Second Graders have made animals in their spare time, which they have traced and colored. Some told imaginative stories about these animals.

Students in Grade 4Y are learning about the globe in geography and Tommy Moss brought in a globe of his own.

Miss Tinkham took her Fifth Grade for a trip to see the Whaling Museum

IN THE ROCHESTER LEAGUE AT BOWL-MOR ALLEYS

Edward Graham's 333 led the Bettencourt's Market to a 4 point win over Hartley's Garage, Tuck Hartley was high man for the garage team.

The Firemen (Art Kenney 338) took 3 from Mahoney & Sons (Robert Jefferson 312).

Led by Leo Lizotte's 343 the Hartley Saw Mill took 3 from the Baptist Church whose high man was Art. Tripp with 316.

Arnold Jefferson, Jr. with 325 led the Rounseville Saw Mill to a 3 point win over the Marion Launderette, Walt Pierce was high for the Launderettes with 338.

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EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETS

The first meeting for 1955-56 of the Executive Committee of the Mattapoisett Improvement Association was called to order by Mr. Robert Crabbe, the president, October 26th at eight o'clock in the library. Sixteen members were present.

Mr. Richard Blasdale gave a full financial report of the present assets of the association and announced he had received $230. in membership dues for this year.

It was voted to contribute $10 toward the Hallowe'en celebration. Mr. Green reported on the Soap Box Derby. Mr. Crowell read a letter from Richard Stackpole in regard to the Stackpole property. Mr. Dunn was appointed chairman of the Historical Committee and asked to serve as the association's representative on the Centennial Committee. Mr. Crabbe read a letter from Mr. Charles Mendell concerning the writing of a second book, covering the history of the town from 1907 to 1957. It was decided to turn that letter over to the Centennial Committee. There was a discussion of the Christmas decoration program and Mr. Secia was appointed to head that committee.

RESIDING IN TOWN

Mr. and Mrs. Dan Sullivan have purchased and are residing in the Harry Yerkes' house on Main Street, Mattapoisett.

AT HOLLYWOOD BEACH

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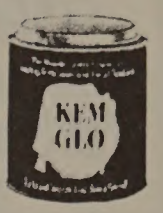

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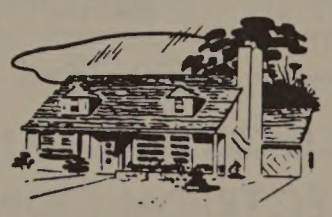
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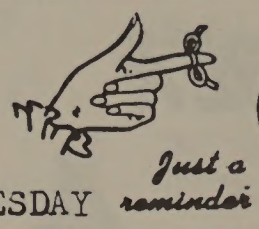


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MATTAPOISETT JUVENILE GRANGE RECEIVE STATE AWARDS

First prize of $6.00 for outstanding Home and Community Service work done in the past year was awarded to Mattapoisett Juvenile Grange at the State session held Wednesday, October 26 in Springfield, Mass. Also received was first prize for Bird and Conservation Program and the notebook entered.

Members winning individual awards on State projects were: Martha Heuberger, first prize of $4.00 for Paper Plate Plaque with "I Will Pray" on it in the younger age group and first prize for Vegetable Scrap Book in the younger age group; John Sylvia, third prize of $2.00 for Vegetable Scrpa Book and honorable mention of $1.00 each to Ann DeCosta and James DeCosta. In the older age group prizes were won by Ann Radcliffe, first of $4.00; Carol Hyland, second of $3.00 and Terry Cray, third of $2.00.

JUVENILE GRANGE HOLDS HALOWE'EN PARTY

Ghosts, witches, tramps, beautiful girls and old men attended the Hallowe'en Party held by the Mattapoisett Juvenile Grange Friday, October 28th. The hall was decorated with skeletons, cats, hats and streamers of orange and black crepe paper. Committee in charge of decorations were Nancy Borges, Joyce Harriman, Nancy Corcoran, Albert Goodwin, Walter Morgardo and Edward Sylvia.

Prizes for costumes went to Terry Cray, most original; Carlton Vaughan, funniest; Kathleen Sylvia and Betsy Bushnell, prettiest. Nancy Borges, lecturer, conducted a game of Hallowe'en fortunes, bobbing for apples, and dancing was also enjoyed.

During the business meeting, conducted by Master Edward Sylvia, Juvenile representative for the Community Hallowe'en Parties, Albert

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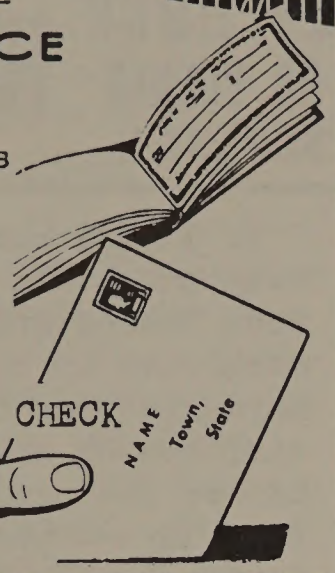


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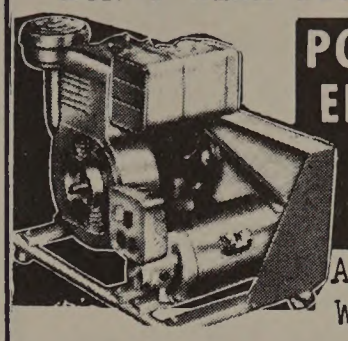

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Goodwin, reported on attending the meeting. Home and Community service chairman, Nancy Corcoran, requested cancelled stamps again this year, pieces of blanket and flannel to be sent to an animal hospital, and also children's reading books to be sent to Lakeville Sanatorium. A used comic book sale will be held at the next meeting. She also announced that her committee would hold a cake sale Saturday, November 12th from 10 to 2 at the Village Shop on Water Street. Members of her committee are Joyce Harriman, Kathleen Sylvia, Judith Dexter, Betsy Bushnell and Carol Hyland.

It was voted to hold a Holiday Teen Age Record Hop Friday, December 30 at the Grange Hall. Plans are to buy a record player.

Lecturer's march was won by Thomas Borges. Frosted donuts and cider were served by Clifton, Wayne and Terry Cray from a refreshment table decorated with a Hallowe'en table cloth, with a jack o' lantern and yellow candles for a centerpiece.

NINTH GRADE OFFICERS ELECTED

Officers elected for the ninth grade at Mattapoisett Center School are as follows: Thomas Webber, president; Gregory Erhard, vice-president; Diana Pierce, secretary and Gerlad Concannon, treasurer.

RECEPTION FOR NEW MEMBERS

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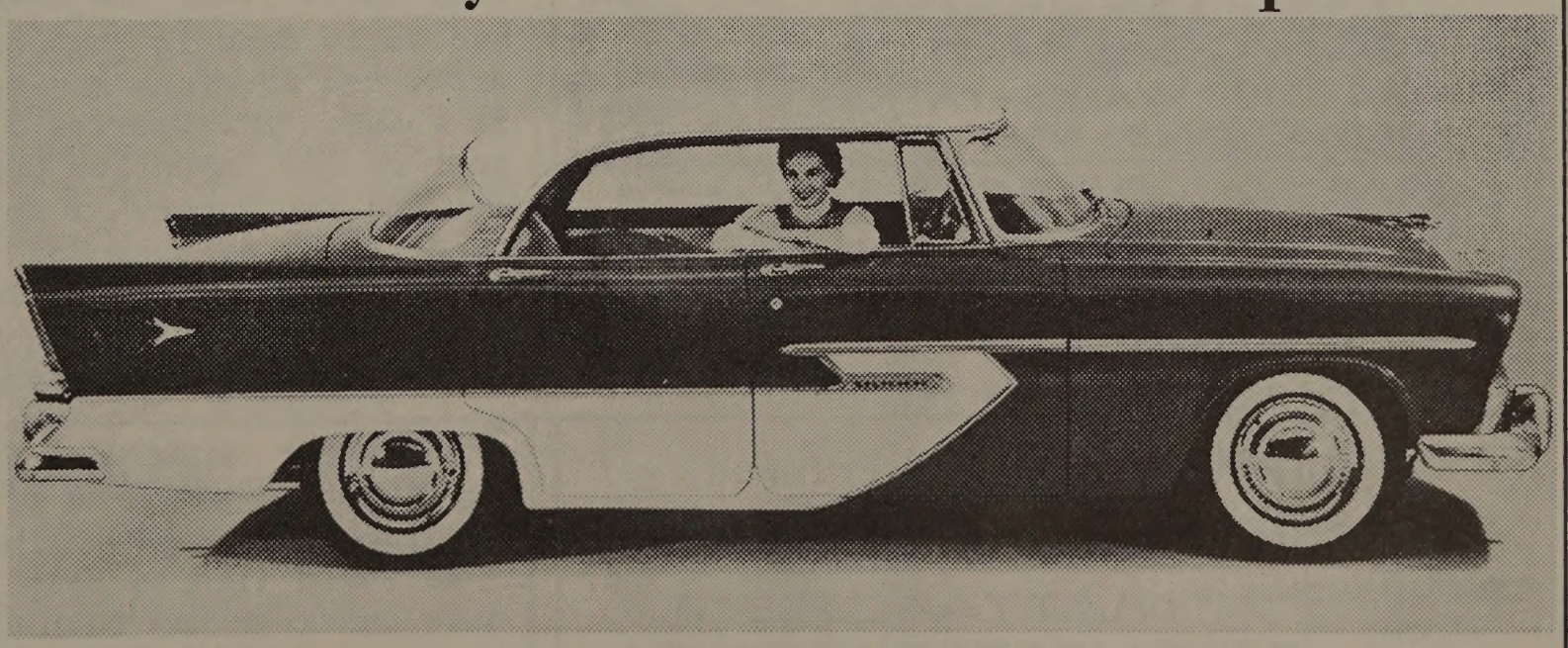

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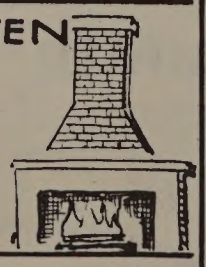

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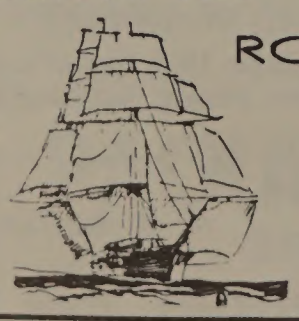

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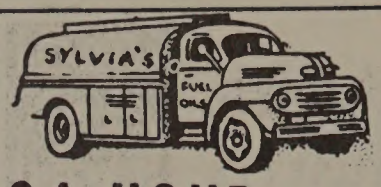


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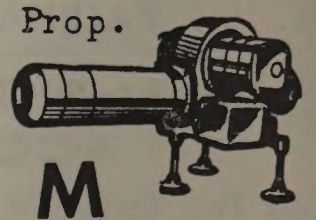


As I copy out these notes in 1955 I wish everyone could read the little paper covered book issued after the celebration by the committee in charge -- I quote from the last paragraphs of this report-- "If any of the visitors or home people are so fortunate as to see the coming celebration fifty years from now -- they can of course make comparison". No doubt that will be a very fine affair but this one -- (1907) had some features worthy of being noted"---Incidentally everyone had a good time; so it was a great success;-- and that is all that can be expected of the next celebration -- even though they should sail over old Rochester town in an airship or explore the bottom of Buzzards Bay by submarine vessel."

So far I am one of the survivors--one of the few left who "saw and took part in" the 1907 Old Home week. I have sailed over old Rochester town in an airship -- I have not as yet explored the bottom of the bay--perhaps I may before the 150th celebration--who knows?

After this digression I will return to my diary. It was Mr. Lemuel LeBaron Dexter who first suggested that there should be a celebration at a meeting of the Executive Committee of the Improvement Association last July 1906. This has meant that everything has had to be done in just one year -- it is wonderful how everyone has gone to work to bring it about. Mr. Charles S. Mendell is president of the Executive Committee of fiteen men and two women. I am pleased that my husband is one of them and is also chairman of the Book Committee. This Sunday afternoon we have been to a Union Service at the Congregational Church. Several of those taking


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part are native sons and daughters--like Rev. Pliny Allen, Jr. and Miss Florence Purrington who gave a violin solo. The opening service is also at the church at 10:30 A. M. on Tuesday. "(Written later on Tuesday evening) My husband (Charles S. Hamlin) gave the first address this afternoon to welcome the homecomers in the name of the committee. He spoke with feeling of the recent death of Judge Lemuel LeBaron Holmes who had been so deeply interested in the celebration and it had thrown a shadow over this occasion. He gave a warm tribute of praise to the town which was being honoured--his adopted home--and after a selection by the orchestra--he introduced "the distinguished son of Mattapoisett--who stands eminent as a jurist among jurists--Hon. John W. Hammond--Judge of the Supreme Judicial Court in Boston". Judge Hammond gave the address which should be widely read now--it was party historical and of great value to the town. I am very proud that my husband was chosen for the honour. Among those in the audience was Mr. H. H. Rogers of Fairhaven with all his family. Mr. Rogers is almost a native son--he is the generous donor of the Center School and his oil burning yacht the "Kanawha" is anchored for the week in the harbour and brightly illuminated every night."

One of the worries of the Executive Committee of the Improvement Association was what to do about the pit on Water Street on part of what is now Shipyard Park. The pit was the old foundation of the County House Hotel which


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had burned down in 1857. The owner wanted to sell this piece of property and had the idea that the purchaser would be able to use the foundations and so he would give a better price for it. The Association offered to fill it and level it off as the most important archway for the celebration--to be illuminated by the new lights--was to be placed across Water Street where Barstow Street joined it. He refused to allow it to be filled. But Mrs. Francis E. Bacon -- a summer resident--managed in some way to get his permission to let her have a temporary screen made of cedar trees on the street side of the pit. We would have to hope that inquisitive visitors would not look behind the screen as in spite of the owner's wish that nothing should be thrown into the pit--it was just a dump. One could see a bed spring and mattress sticking up and tin cans--ashes and trash. Mrs. Bacon was always deeply interested in the town and she painted two sketches for the arch--one side the picture was a whaler under full sail and the other side was a whaler under bare poles. In addition Mrs. Bacon painted the sign of Metacomet--King Philip--with his hand out in welcome and an arrow pointing up --also the dates 1857-1907. This sign was hung on the flagpole at the Town Hall. It was taken in every winter by its custodian Miss Stackpole who also had it varnished from time to time.

It is an old saying that accidents will happen in the best ordered families and so a funny thing happened which was not realized until visitors kept asking where various streets were located. The previous winter Captain Charles Nye was given the job of repainting all the street signs. He removed them and stacked them in his shed. Nothing was seen of them again until the following fall -- two months after the celebration. When asked what had happened--he replied genially that he had certainly been sorry not to see them up for Old Home week--he knew many of the visitors had missed them but it was really not his fault--he just could not seem to get at them--each one took so much time to paint with all the fussy lettering--he had done some but decided to let them wait until the town cooled down.

Fortunately we had fair weather all the week until Saturday, and on Wednesday was the great parade. The automobile section was of particular interest and it would be now also. In the section for horses and wagons drove the little wicker and wood cart drawn by Peter, the pony--and in it were two very happy children--Anna Hamlin and Miriam Fenno. The Improvement Association had their lawn party the same day from three to ten o'clock on the grounds of the George Barstow house on Water Street. It was a banner day for the Association as we had 1,000 visitors at 10 cents each--we never again reached such an amount of gate money. The grounds were illuminated by lanterns with candles as we felt the new electricity was too expensive.

The little book I spoke of tells of the entertainments--the clam bake--the reception --concerts--an excursion by steamboat around the bay--the novelty of a trolley ride and picnic--the ball game between married and single players--the field sports also on the school grounds--the last evening the harbour was illuminated by bon-fires on Holmes wharf while the Mattapoisett band played on Long wharf and red lights on all the other wharves and special fireworks. There were two hundred visitors registered at the Public Library.

One of the returned sons of the town walked out to our place on a hot afternoon and told Mr. Delong that he used to come here to drink water out of our well and he had never forfotten the taste--he smacked his lips--nothing like it where he lived now. So Mr. Delong got a glass and hauled up the bucket and the

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visitor drank the glass full and asked for another. A few days later Mr. Delong decided to clean out the well and he pulled up the bodies of two deak skunks.

In Judge Hammond's address he spoke of the book "Mattapoisett and Old Rochester" with interest and admiration, and he said--"It will be the most enduring feature of this celebration,--and if Old Home Week has produced nothing else than this book--it will clearly justify itself."

I feel certain that if we could hear Judge Hammond give another address at the centennial--he would urge us to continue the history of this town and add another volume from 1907 to 1957 and make a lasting memorial of the coming celebration--a memorial to which we can point with pride as we do to the History published in 1907.

JUNIOR YOUTH FELLOWSHIP ELECT OFFICERS

The Junior Youth Fellowship of the Mattapoisett Congregational have elected the following officers for the year: Joyce Harriman, president; John Dexter, vice-president; Terence Cray, secretary and Nancy Moore, treasurer.

COVER PICTURE

Our cover this week should be easily recognized by everyone familiar with the Mattapoisett waterfront. The picture was taken about the time of the Semi-Centennial and the house in the right foreground is Ira Hiller's home on the corner of North and Water Streets. Thanks to Mr. James Maury

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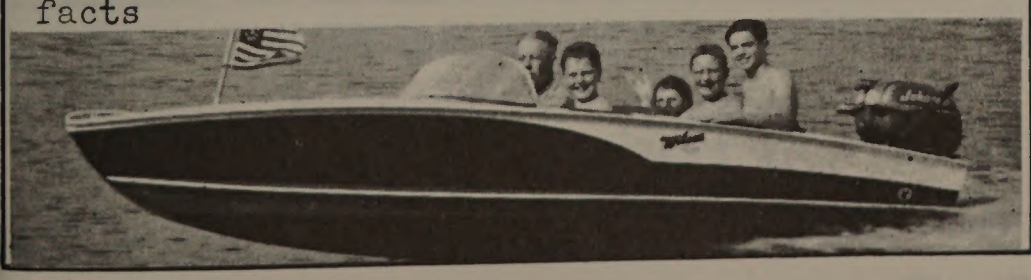

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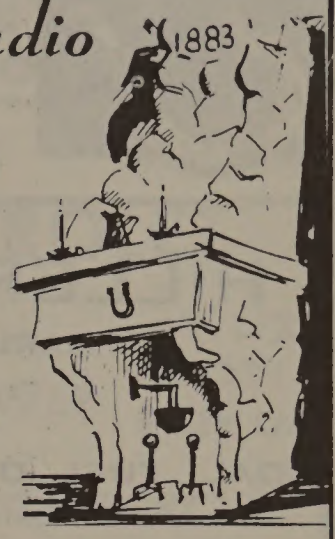


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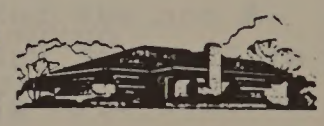

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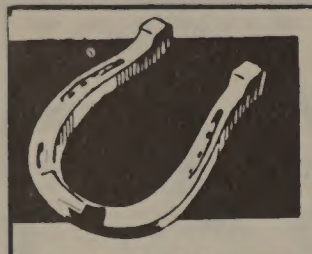

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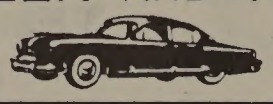
SALES  SERVICE

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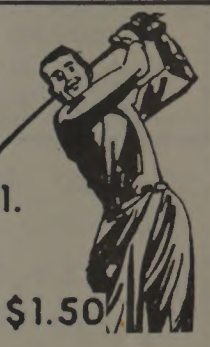
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A son was born to Mr. and Mrs. Grant Faber of Acushnet Road, Mattapoisett Saturday, October 29th at St. Luke's Hospital, New Bedford.

Mr. and Mrs. George Monteiro of Aucoot Road, Mattapoisett, who were reported to have had a son born in several mediums besides the Presto, actually had a little girl, Linda Jean.

OBSERVED WEDDING ANNIVERSARY

Mr. and Mrs. Charles F. Monahan, Jr. of the Holiday House and the Shining Tides observed their 21st wedding anniversary recently.

ON PROGRAM COMMITTEE

Arranging the programs for the Sippican Women's Club of Marion this year are Mrs. Gerald J. Eshleman, president; Mrs. Roderick Beebe, Mrs. Allen Vickers, Mrs. James W. Wickenden and Mrs. Charles E. Woodcock.

HALLOWE'EN COSTUME DANCE

The hallowe'en costume dance at Rochester Grange was well attended. Henry Fisher and the Ramblers provided the music for the dancing. Most original prize went to Gayle Gifford; prettiest to Ann Smith; most origianl, Bob Gonet; funniest, Miss Carney and Mr. and Mrs. William Watland were judged as the prettiest. They wore Chinese costumes.

FOOD SALE

Mrs. Kenneth Wiggin is the chairman of the food sale to be held Saturday, November 5th from 10 to 2 P. M. in the Village Drug Store, Mattapoisett, sponsored by the Ways and Means Committee of the Mattapoisett Woman's Club.

CHRISTMAS SALE

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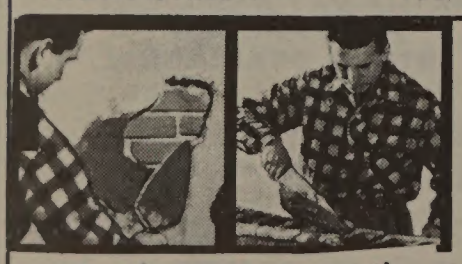
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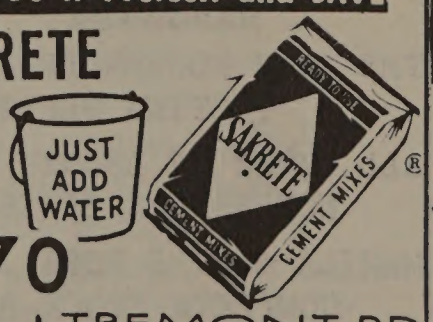

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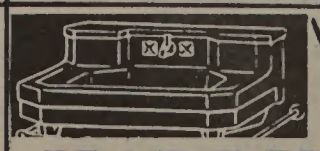
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## ROCHESTER GRANGE MEETS

The Rochester Grange met Wednesday with a regular meeting at which Thomas Gayoski presided. It was voted to donate $2.00 to the SPCC. Mrs. Clifton Chase asked for volunteers in case of emergency and for workers in the canteen. It was also voted to join with the P. T. A. and the Woman's Club for the Fall teachers' reception next year.

Mrs. Lois Taylor, Mrs. Clifton Hedges and Mrs. Joseph Silveira are the committee in charge of the next meeting on November 9th at 7:30 which will be on 4H Achievement.

The meeting was followed by the installation of Marion Keyes, pianist; Louise Watland, emblem bearer; Lucille Ouellette, regalia bearer; Lucille Rogers, chaplain; Priscilla Ann Randall, ceres; Lois Taylor, lecturer; Ada Snell, pianist and Lena Vaughan, chairman of Relief. Installing officer was Mr. Wilfred Keyes of Middleboro, assisted by Alden Wilbur, marshall.

## RESIDING ON FAIRHAVEN ROAD

Mr. and Mrs. William S. Wheaton have moved into the Barstow house on Fairhaven Road, Mattapoisett. They formerly lived on 126 Ash Street, New Bedford.

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Mr. and Mrs. Horace W. Losch and two children are residing at the Curran cottage at The Cedars, Mattapoisett.

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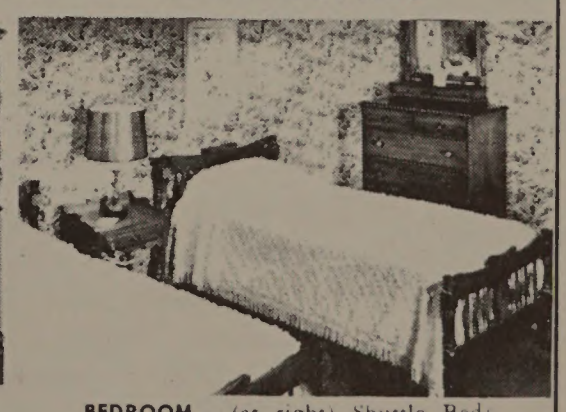

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Mr. and Mrs. Irving Vermilya of Mattapoisett and six visiting members of the Antique Wireless Association had a dinner Saturday at the Silver Gull. The visitors interviewed Mr. Vermilya, who is recognized as the No. 1 radio ham operator in the United States.

The Antique Wireless Association is compiling a picture story on the history of wireless and a tape recording was made of the interview as well as a number of color photographs by three of the group employed by the Eastman Kodak Co. Mr. Vermilya was photographed operating his wireless equipment at his home at Cathaway Lane. When edited the tape recordings and color pictures will be available for group showings and will be distributed by the American Radio League in West Hartford, Conn.

SCHOLARSHIP FUND INCREASED BY TAG DAY

The Scholarship Fund of the Parent-Teachers Club was given a boost recently by proceeds from the annual Tag Day held by members of the Center School. A total of $245.66 was turned in.

The following prizes were awarded: Grades 1-3, Harold Banks, grade 2, first and Dexter Morgan, grade 2, second; Grades 4-6, William Martin, grade 6, first and Arthur Marcoux, grade 4, second; Grades 7-9, Susan Pelson, grade 9, first and Michael Renahan, grade 8, second. The prizes were $1.00 each, first and $.50 each, second.

The largest amount was brought in by Susan Pelson. Miss Constance Olaussen's second grade room brought in the greatest amount.

HALLOWE'EN PARTY

The Long Plain Baptist Church Friend's Missionary Group and the Sunday School held a Hallowe'en Party Saturday night at the home of Helen Church.

OBSERVED BIRTHDAY

Amos Poirier of Snipatuit Road, Rochester enjoyed his 8th birthday October 14th.

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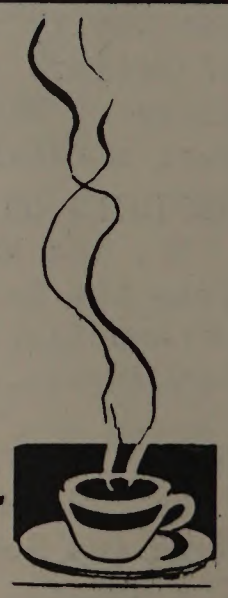

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